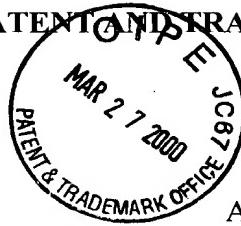


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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Advisory Action dated January 24, 2000 for two (2) months from January 26, 2000 up to and including March 27, 2000 (March 26, 2000 being a Sunday).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-3425 in the amount of \$380.00 to cover the cost of the extension. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this submission, please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-3425. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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